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**Title  
SCHOOL OF ADVANCED MILITARY STUDIES (SAMS) ADVANCED MILITARY STUDIES PROGRAM,  
(AMSP) CLASS 2014-002 – 07 JAN 2014 – 04 DEC 2014 SELECTION**

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1. THIS MILPER MESSAGE EXPIRES ON 3 MAY 2013.

2. THIS MESSAGE ANNOUNCES THE SCHOOL OF ADVANCED MILITARY STUDIES (SAMS) SELECTION PROCESS FOR THE ADVANCED MILITARY STUDIES PROGRAM (AMSP), FOR ACADEMIC YEAR (AY) 2014-002. AMSP 2014-002 HAS 32 SEATS TOTAL. TYPICALLY 24 SEATS ARE FOR US ARMY SELECTS, 4 FOR OTHER SERVICE SELECTS, 2 FOR INTERAGENCY SELECTS, AND 2 FOR INTERNATIONAL OFFICER SELECTS.

3. THE CAC-LDE SELECTION BOARD FOR AMSP WILL SELECT HIGHLY QUALIFIED, ELIGIBLE OFFICERS TO ATTEND AY2014-002 RESIDENT AMSP AT FORT LEAVENWORTH, KANSAS.

A. THE AY2014-002 CAC-LDE SELECTION BOARD FOR AMSP CONVENES ON 29 APR 2013 AND IS COMPLETE ON OR ABOUT 3 MAY 2013.

B. OFFICERS INCUR A TWO YEAR SERVICE OBLIGATION UPON COMPLETION OR TERMINATION OF THE COURSE. ACTIVE COMPONENT ARMY OFFICERS INCUR A ONE YEAR UTILIZATION (PER AR 614-100) TOUR AS THEIR FIRST ASSIGNMENT (TIER I UTILIZATION) AFTER GRADUATION. FOLLOW-ON ASSIGNMENTS ARE DIRECTED BY THE HRC AMSP DISTRIBUTION MANAGER OFFICER, BASED ON THE HQDAG3 DISTRIBUTION PLAN AND AR 614-100.

4. OFFICERS WHO MEET THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA ARE ELIGIBLE TO VOLUNTEER FOR SELECTION CONSIDERATION TO ATTEND THE AMSP:

A. BE A RESIDENT OR NON-RESIDENT STAFF COLLEGE ILE GRADUATE OR CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN RESIDENCE AT A STAFF COLLEGE (THIS INCLUDES RESERVE OFFICERS); OR A SISTER SERVICE OFFICER ENROLLED IN A RESIDENT STAFF COLLEGE COURSE. MUST HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ILE PRIOR TO BEGINNING AMSP.

B. HAVE NOT ATTENDED OR RECEIVED CREDIT FOR ATTENDING A SERVICE RESIDENT ADVANCED MILITARY STUDIES PROGRAM OR EQUIVALENT FOREIGN SCHOOL.

C. RESERVE COMPONENT OFFICERS ARE ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND IF THEY ARE FULL TIME OR OTHERWISE TITLE 10 OR 32 OFFICERS OR SERVING IN AN M-DAY TROOP PROGRAM UNIT, AND AS LONG AS THEY DO NOT REACH THEIR MANDATORY RELEASE DATE FOR ACTIVE DUTY PRIOR TO THE BOARD CONVENE DATE.

D. OFFICERS WITH AN APPROVED SEPARATION DATE (EITHER FROM RESIGNATION OR

RETIREMENT) ARE NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AMSP CONSIDERATION BY THE AY 2014-002 AMSP BOARD.

E. US ARMY MEMBERS MUST BE IN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING BRANCHES OR FUNCTIONAL AREAS: AD, AG, AR, AV, CM, EN, FA, IN, LG, MI, MP, MSC (ONLY 67A, 67J), OD, QM, SC, SF, CA, PSYOP, & TC. FA 29, 30, 34, 37, 40, 46, 48, 49, 53, 59, AND 90 OFFICERS MAY APPLY. WARRANT OFFICERS AND HIGH QUALITY DA CIVILIANS (GS-13/14 EQUIVALENT) ARE ALSO ELIGIBLE, BUT MUST POSSESS A COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE. FUNDING FOR DA CIVILIANS IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE ORGANIZATION TO WHICH A CIVILIAN SELECT IS ASSIGNED.

F. BRANCHES OR FUNCTIONAL AREAS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR SELECTION: AC, FI, JA, CH, AN, DE, MC, MSC (EXCEPT 67A, 67J), VC, AND SP (RESERVE ONLY). FUNCTIONAL AREAS 24, 42, 50, 52, AND 57. ANY EXCEPTIONS MUST BE APPROVED BY HRC BEFORE AN INDIVIDUAL SUBMITS AN APPLICATION.

G. SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED INDIVIDUAL BRANCH / SERVICE PHYSICAL FITNESS TEST REQUIREMENTS. INDIVIDUAL MUST NOT HAVE ANY PROFILE WHICH PLACES THE INDIVIDUAL IN A NON-DEPLOYABLE STATUS.

H. MEETS SERVICE HEIGHT AND WEIGHT REQUIREMENTS.

I. HAS AT LEAST TWENTY-FOUR MONTHS ON STATION BEFORE PCSING TO FORT LEAVENWORTH TO ATTEND AMSP. CLASS STARTS ON 7 JAN 2014. INDIVIDUALS SELECTED TO ATTEND WHO ARE NOT AT FT LEAVENWORTH SHOULD ARRIVE NLT 2 JAN 2014. THIS WILL ENABLE INDIVIDUALS TO CONDUCT INSTALLATION INPROCESSING, COORDINATE FOR HOUSING, ETC. THERE WILL BE LIMITED AVAILABLE TIME FOR INPROCESSING TASKS ONCE THE COURSE BEGINS ON 7 JAN 2014.

J. OFFICERS IN CURRENT FIELD ASSIGNMENTS WHO HAVE COMPLETED KEY AND DEVELOPMENTAL POSITIONS, AS DETERMINED BY THEIR BRANCH, ARE ELIGIBLE. ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS FROM THE FIELD MUST COMPLETE ALL AMSP SELECTION REQUIREMENTS, TO INCLUDE THE EXAMINATION AND HAVE THEIR COL LEVEL SUPERVISOR SUBMIT THE ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION USING THE FORM FROM THE SAMS WEBSITE. APPLICANT MUST BE IN ONE OF THE BRANCHES OR FUNCTIONAL AREAS AS DETAILED IN PARA 4.E.

K. MAJORS IN YEAR GROUP 1999 AND PRIOR, 2001 AND FORWARD, AND YG 2000 WHO ARE KD COMPLETE, ARE ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR AMSP 2014-002. ANY OFFICER WITHIN 36 MONTHS OF A PROMOTION BOARD, WHO IS NOT KEY AND DEVELOPMENTAL COMPLETE AT THE TIME OF APPLICATION TO SAMS, SHOULD USE CAUTION IN DECIDING TO APPLY AND CONSULT THEIR ASSIGNMENT BRANCH TO DISCUSS ELIGIBILITY, RISK FOR PROMOTION, AND CAREER PROGRESSION CONCERNS. (FOR EXAMPLE: COHORT YEAR GROUP 2000 OFFICERS WHO HAVE NOT COMPLETED KEY AND DEVELOPMENTAL ASSIGNMENTS, WHO ARE ACCEPTED TO AMSP 2014-002, WILL BE WITHIN APPROXIMATELY A MONTH OF PZ BOARD FOLLOWING SAMS AND THE UTILIZATION REQUIREMENT. IN THIS CASE TIMELINES FOR KEY AND DEVELOPMENTAL POSITIONS AS WELL AS OER SUBMISSION PRIOR TO A BOARD WILL BE IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SAMS UTILIZATION. AT TIME OF APPLICATION WINDOW, LIEUTENANT COLONELS WITH ONE YEAR OR MORE TIME IN GRADE MAY BE TOO SENIOR FOR THE AMSP.

##### 5. SELECTION CRITERIA:

A. HIGH POTENTIAL FOR FUTURE SERVICE (AS ASSESSED BY OFFICER'S HRC BRANCH REPRESENTATIVE OR SERVICE EQUIVALENT).

B. HIGH POTENTIAL FOR SUCCESSFUL PERFORMANCE IN KEY LEADERSHIP POSITIONS (STAFF PLANNING, COMMAND, ETC.) IN OPERATIONAL UNITS DURING OPERATIONS.

C. ABILITY TO COMPLETE A RIGOROUS GRADUATE LEVEL ACADEMIC PROGRAM STUDYING OPERATIONAL ART AND THE SCIENCE OF WAR.

D. STRONG INTEREST IN OPERATIONAL ART AND WARFIGHTING AT THE TACTICAL THROUGH OPERATIONAL LEVELS.

E. OPERATIONAL DEPLOYMENT EXPERIENCE (KUWAIT, IRAQ, AFGHANISTAN, PHILIPPINES, AFRICA, ETC. INDIVIDUAL MUST BE IN AN INDIVIDUAL READINESS STATUS THAT WILL ALLOW BEING DEPLOYED.

6. TO APPLY. THE APPLICATION SITE WILL BE ACTIVATED AT 1300CST ON 8 FEB 2013 AND REMAIN ACTIVE UNTIL 1500CDT ON 15 MAR 2013. BEGIN YOUR APPLICATION USING THIS SITE: <HTTPS://CGSC2.LEAVENWORTH.ARMY.MIL/SAMS/AMSP/HOW2APPLY.ASP>, SAMS WILL NO LONGER ACCEPT APPLICATIONS AFTER 15 MAR. REFER TO PARAGRAPH 10 FOR REQUIRED DOCUMENTATION AND FOLLOW THE GUIDELINES OUTLINED ON THE SAMS WEBPAGE TO ENSURE YOUR SELECTION PACKET HAS ALL THE REQUIRED INPUTS. BY 15 MAR, ALL APPLICANT DOCUMENTATION SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT TO: <USARMY.LEAVENWORTH.CAC.MBX.CGSC-SAMS-WEB@MAIL.MIL>.

7. POSITIVE COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICER BEING CONSIDERED: NO LETTERS TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD WILL BE ADDED TO AN APPLICANT'S BOARD FILE. SUPERVISORS SHOULD USE THE SAMS FORM FOR SUPERVISOR ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION FORM TO COMMUNICATE THEIR VIEW OF AN APPLICANT (PARA 4J). ADDITIONALLY, COMMUNICATIONS FROM OTHER PARTIES ON BEHALF OF OFFICERS BEING CONSIDERED WILL NOT BE PROVIDED TO THE SELECTION BOARD.

8. NEGATIVE COMMENTS ON BEHALF OF THE OFFICER BEING CONSIDERED: COMMUNICATIONS CONTAINING CRITICISM OR REFLECTING NEGATIVELY UPON THE CHARACTER, CONDUCT, OR MOTIVES OF ANY OFFICER IN CONSIDERATION WILL BE REVIEWED BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD.

9. CRITICAL DATES:

A. ON-LINE APPLICATION WINDOW:	8 FEB (1300CST) – 15 MAR (1500CDT)
B. APPLICANT SUBMIT REQUIRED DOCUMENTS:	NLT 15 MAR
C. AMSP EXAMINATION:	19 & 21 MAR
D. INTERVIEW PERIOD:	25 MAR – 19 APR
E. SUPERVISOR ASSESSMENT DUE:	NLT 22 APR
F. SELECTION BOARD VOTING:	29 APR – 3 MAY
G. LIST RELEASE NLT:	NLT 12 JUN (NLT)

10. APPLICATION PROCESS INCLUDES: REFER TO INSTRUCTIONS AT THE SAMS WEBSITE

LISTED ABOVE AND SUBMIT ITEMS 10B THRU 10G USING THE SAMS WEB EMAIL, BEGINNING 8 FEB AND MUST BE COMPLETE BY 15 MAR. SAMS WEB EMAIL IS AT:  
[USARMY.LEAVENWORTH.CAC.MBX.CGSC-SAMS-WEB@MAIL.MIL](mailto:USARMY.LEAVENWORTH.CAC.MBX.CGSC-SAMS-WEB@MAIL.MIL).

A. SUBMISSION OF ON-LINE APPLICATION. USE SITE LISTED IN PARA 6. OPENS 8 FEB (1300CST) – 15 MAR (1500DST) 2013.

B. SUBMISSION OF ON-LINE APPLICANT GOALS SHEET.

C. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT ORB, OR SERVICE EQUIVALENT.

D. SUBMISSION OF CURRENT PHYSICAL FITNESS CARD WITH HT/WT DATA. SUBMIT ANY APPLICABLE PROFILE INFORMATION.

E. APPLICANTS IN ILE AT THE COMMAND AND GENERAL STAFF COLLEGE WILL ALSO PROVIDE THEIR NELSON DENNY TEST RESULTS.

F. COLLEGE UNDERGRADUATE TRANSCRIPTS – UNOFFICIAL. IF ACCEPTED, OFFICERS MUST PROVIDE OFFICIAL TRANSCRIPTS FOR THEIR UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE. OFFICERS WHO HAVE MASTERS OR HIGHER DEGREES SHOULD PROVIDE THOSE TRANSCRIPTS AS WELL.

G. SUBMISSION OF SUPERVISOR ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION (FORM IS AVAILABLE FROM THE SAMS WEB SITE). SUPERVISORS SEND A COMPLETED ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION TO THE SCHOOL'S ENTERPRISE EMAIL ADDRESS LISTED IN THE WEBSITE. ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION FOR A FIELD APPLICANT MUST BE PROVIDED BY THEIR FIRST COL LEVEL SUPERVISOR.

H. AMSP ENTRANCE EXAM. ALL APPLICANTS ARE REQUIRED TO TAKE THE ENTRANCE EXAM.

I. IN PERSON INTERVIEW FOR APPLICANTS RESIDING AT FT. LEAVENWORTH. APPLICANTS WHO ARE NOT ASSIGNED AT FT. LEAVENWORTH WILL INTERVIEW TELEPHONICALLY OR BY VTC.

11. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS FOR APPLICANTS ATTENDING SISTER SERVICE STAFF COLLEGES. YOUR SUPERVISOR WILL PROCTOR THE ENTRANCE EXAM AT YOUR CURRENT DUTY LOCATION. INTERVIEWS ARE CONDUCTED TELEPHONICALLY. THERE IS NO NEED TO MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO TRAVEL TO FT. LEAVENWORTH.

12. POC IS MRS. CANDACE HAMM, SAMS OFFICE MANAGER, DSN 585-3302 OR COMMERCIAL 913-758-3302. ADDITIONAL POC IS MRS. ANNA WHITE, SAMS SECRETARY, DSN 585-3300 OR COMMERCIAL 913-758-3302.